



President I. King Jordan accepts a plaque on Oct. 16 from Ken Bertaccini, AT&T Consumer Products president and chief executive officer, recognizing a large equipment grant to Gallaudet, part of AT&T's \$750,000 gift to the University.

AT&T reinforces support for Gallaudet by donating \$750,000 to HMB project

Communications giant AT&T reinforced its commitment to help create accessible communications at Gallaudet by presenting the University with a pledge of \$750,000 in cash and equipment for the Hall Memorial Building project at an Oct. 16 ceremony in the College Hall lyceum.

The AT&T Leadership Gift to Gallaudet is divided into three parts: \$100,000 in cash from the AT&T Foundation, \$300,000 in equipment from its University Equipment Donation Program, and \$350,000 in equipment from the company's Consumer Products Division.

The foundation's cash grant, payable over two years, will be applied to HMB renovation costs. The equipment donation program will provide computer equipment designed to support the science curriculum in the College of Arts and Sciences. The consumer products donation will enhance campus communications through multimedia applications of computer and telecommunications technology at HMB.

In presenting the gift to Gallaudet President I. King Jordan, AT&T Consumer Products President and Chief Executive Officer Ken Bertaccini called the occasion "a very special day between our two organizations."

Bertaccini, who also is a founding member of the University's Board of Associates and served as commencement speaker for the graduating class

of 1992, said the gift "reaffirms our absolute commitment to support this outstanding institution and our mutual commitment to break down communication barriers and improve accessibility."

Dr. Jordan accepted the gift, saying, "I thank you on behalf of every student who ever struggled with the old HMB classroom configurations and on behalf of every student who will ever enjoy the new HMB."

"This gift provides two essential kinds of leadership for our HMB project," said Jordan. "First, it greatly helps us meet the cost of the renovation. Second, it demonstrates to other potential donors that the AT&T Foundation and AT&T Consumer Products believe that the deaf and hard of hearing students who study in HMB will make a real contribution to America's future economic and societal vitality."

AT&T has demonstrated its support of Gallaudet in other ways as well. Through the company's arrangement with Experiential Programs Off Campus, approximately 35 students have served in internships to date in the areas of research, product management, marketing, and long distance services.

In recognition of AT&T's continued support, Jordan said that when the HMB project is completed, "we will place a plaque in the atrium, the heart of HMB, so that all the students and alumni who visit there will know and share the appreciation we feel today."

Staff responds to SCPI survey

The questionnaire circulated on campus last month by the University's Sign Communication Proficiency Interview (SCPI) Committee to obtain input about the SCPI process was completed and returned by more than 375 staff members, according to Dr. Jack Gannon, committee chair and special assistant to the president for advocacy.

The Gallaudet Research Institute has been tabulating the information, and the committee is discussing many of the concerns raised by the questionnaire respondents, Gannon said.

University President I. King Jordan suspended the SCPI for staff in August while the committee reviewed issues and problem areas, including feedback from staff. The committee was to report its findings to Dr. Jordan on Oct. 15, but Jordan extended the committee's deadline to Oct. 27.

According to Gannon, the committee is now involved in preparing the report and anticipates completing it on time.

Homecoming week activities slated

The Gallaudet community has many activities to choose from during homecoming week at the University, Oct. 26-31, and at the Model Secondary School for the Deaf, Nov. 2-7. In addition, the Board of Trustees will hold its annual fall meeting at Kendall Green Oct. 29-30.

University Homecoming

Tuesday, Oct. 27:

- The second Annual T.J. Landers Lectureship in Educational Administration, "To Chance the Dance: Deaf-Hearing Partnerships in School Leadership," School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) and the Department of Administration and Supervision, 3-5 p.m., Ely Auditorium.

Wednesday, Oct. 28:

- "What Does Bi/Bi Mean for Teacher Education?," SEHS and the Department of Education, by invitation only, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., "Ole Jim."
- National Information Center on Deafness publications sale, 30 percent off, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Ely Center Alcove.
- "ASL in Schools: Policies and Curriculum" conference, SEHS, Department of Education, Department of Sign Communication, and the College for Continuing Education, 7-9 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 29:

- "ASL in Schools: Policies and Curriculum" conference, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
- "An Evening with Mary Beth Miller," 7:30 p.m., Elstad Auditorium, \$10/person.

Friday, Oct. 30:

- "ASL in Schools: Policies and Curriculum" conference, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Bookstore open 9 a.m.-7 p.m., door prize, pumpkin decals identify bargain prices, 20-35 percent off clothing, GUAA Life Members receive

10 percent discount on regularly priced Gallaudet imprinted clothing and gifts with membership card.

- Pep rally, Alumni Relations, 7 p.m., Field House; pre-game celebration, Alumni Relations, 7 p.m.-1 a.m., "Ole Jim," \$5/person, free admission for the classes of '42 and '67.

- Craft Show, Bill and Glenda Ennis, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Ely Art Exhibit Room, proceeds to "Ole Jim."

Saturday, Oct. 31:

- Craft Show, Bill and Glenda Ennis, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Ely Art Exhibit Room, proceeds to "Ole Jim."
- 5K run with President and Mrs. Jordan, 10 a.m., \$10/person, 1 mile family run around the perimeter of Kendall Green, 10:30 a.m., \$2/person, Laurent Clerc Cultural Fund, Field House.

- Bookstore open 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (Information same as for Friday.)
- Homecoming Parade, Student Body Government, 11 a.m.

- Gallaudet Bison vs. Newport News Apprentice, 1:30 p.m., Hotchkiss Field.

- Post-game Bash, Alumni Relations, 4 p.m.-1 a.m., "Ole Jim," \$10/person, free admission for Class of '42, \$5 for Class of '67.

- Homecoming Ball, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Martin's Crosswinds, Greenbelt, Md.

MSSD Homecoming

Wednesday, Nov. 4:

- Girls volleyball team vs. Bullis, 4 p.m., MSSD Gym; junior varsity football team vs. Springfield High School, 7 p.m., MSSD Field.

Friday, Nov. 6:

- Pep Rally, 2 p.m., MSSD Gym.
- Eagles vs. Colonial Beach, MSSD Field, 7:30 p.m., \$3/person.

Saturday, Nov. 7:

- Homecoming Dance, 7 p.m.-midnight, Bethesda Ramada Inn.



Members of the University's Hispanic community prepare native cuisine at a food festival and arts and crafts fair held Oct. 15 at Ely Center; an activity that wrapped up the celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. This year, the theme of the annual event was "Continuation of the Culture: Combining Past and Present Hispanic Culture."



Named 1992 District of Columbia Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, Dr. Deborah Sonnenstrahl (second from left) celebrates with Dean of CAS Robert Williams (right) and President and Mrs. Jordan at House 1.

Senate addresses faculty guidelines, salaries, plans to evaluate SCPI

The University Faculty Senate at its Oct. 19 meeting addressed issues including the faculty guidelines package, faculty representation in the University's upper administration during this interim period without a provost, faculty salaries, the Sign Communication Proficiency Interview (SCPI), and a deaf studies curriculum.

Senate Chair William Marshall reported that President I. King Jordan is not ready to send the new faculty guidelines to the Board of Trustees. The senate agreed to allow senate members Mark Weinberg, Neil Reynolds, and Tom Allen, chair of Committee A (Faculty Welfare), and Dean of the School of Education and Human Services David Martin, to work with Dr. Jordan to modify specific language that is causing concern for the president.

Dr. Marshall reported that an Oct. 15 meeting between Jordan, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research Michael Karchmer, Dr. Martin, and senate representatives Marshall, Weinberg, and Allen was very open and collegial. Marshall later added that Jordan had contacted him immediately after the senate meeting and requested his input

on selecting a chief academic officer.

Discussion of the proposed compensation package that Committee E (Salary, Benefits, and University Budget) presented to Jordan last January centered on the 5 and 10 percent merit increases recommended for "low" and "high" performance levels.

According to Committee E Chair Terry Berkeley, the only response the administration has made came from former Provost Harvey Corson last spring. He recommended that the faculty system for awarding merit increases copy that of the staff, which the proposal did not recommend, said Dr. Berkeley.

Dr. Allen reported that the faculty has enough data to evaluate the SCPI for consistency among raters. However, data for evaluating the SCPI for reliability and validity must be collected. Allen said that Committee A will conduct a one-year, three-part study of the SCPI. First, it will assess the old data for the internal consistency of ratings. Second, the committee will ask faculty being evaluated this year to participate in a reliability study that would involve taking the SCPI two times with separate and independent raters. And third, the group will select a panel of experts to observe faculty in both the classroom and the SCPI with a checklist of effective communication behaviors.

In other business, Dr. Michael Moore, vice chair of the senate, invited senate members' input about issues they think he should address when he represents them at the Board of Trustees meeting this fall.

The senate also suggested that Committee S (Quality in Education Programs) solicit comments about the report of the Task Force on ASL and Deaf Studies in an open forum at the University Faculty meeting to be held Oct. 26. The senate accepted a motion made by Dr. Ronald Sutcliffe of the Department of Business Administration to ask the administration to increase from 16 to 48 the number of dial-in phone lines that people can use to access the VAX system.

In addition, both Moore and Marshall questioned the safety of the Field House parking garage, stating that it wobbles alarmingly when vehicles drive on it and that immense gaps between its sections have been repaired with plywood.

Announcements

Carol Downing, former assistant director of the Admissions Office, has been appointed acting director of admissions, according to Astrid Goodstein, executive director of Enrollment Services. A national search for a permanent director will begin this fall, with the hope of filling the position in early 1993, said Goodstein.

The *Pre-College Products 1992-93 Catalog*, describing educational materials and services available for students from preschool to high school grade levels, has been published. For free copies of the catalog, call Pre-College Outreach, x5340.

Mental Health Services for Deaf People, which presents information on more than 350 mental health programs and services for deaf people across the United States, is now available from the Gallaudet Research Institute. The directory costs \$15.95 per copy. For more information, call Robert C. Johnson, x5400.

Callers who feel the Maryland Relay system needs a second 800 number are invited to express their opinions. Most state relays have two 800 numbers—one for incoming TDD calls

and one for incoming voice calls. The Maryland Relay's computer takes 15 to 20 seconds to recognize a voice call. The delay comes in part because the relay has only one 800 number. To comment, write to Willis Mann, Department of General Services, Office of Communications Access of Maryland, 301 W. Preston St., Baltimore, MD 21201, or call (410) 225-6970 (TDD) or (800) 552-7724 (V/TDD).

A call for papers has been issued for "Family and Community Relationships: A Vital Link," a family conference that will take place July 9-11 in Ogden, Utah. Possible topics include relationships between peers, siblings, the hearing and deaf communities, or mainstream and residential schools; family communication; and deaf culture for hearing families. Presentations should be no longer than one hour. Proposals are due by Dec. 4 and should include a one-page abstract describing the session, a brief biography of the presenter, and an application. For an application, call 1-800-942-ASDC.

The AMC-Union Station 9 Theatre has installed an FM phonic ear hearing system in its movie theaters.

Among Ourselves

English instructor Carol Robinson recently had two papers accepted for publication. "Feminine Magic: The Liberation of John Updike's Female Characters," will appear in *Critique*, and "Celluloid Criticism: A Filmmaker's Contribution to a Chaucerian Debate on the Wife of Bath's Characterization," will appear in *Studies in Medievalism V*. Robinson will be reading a paper, "Disney, Spielberg, Godard, and God: Hook and Hail Mary as Commentaries on Disney's Manipulative Style," at the Popular Culture Association in the South Annual Conference in October.

Dr. Vera Follain-Grisell, director of the Office of Graduate Studies, moderated a panel of graduate school deans addressing potential graduate students on Sept. 26 in Raleigh, N.C. The discussion was sponsored by the Council on Graduate Education and the Educational Testing Service.

Deborah Colon-Martin, program development specialist with the

Lifelong Learning Institute of the National Academy, presented, "The Americans with Disabilities Act: It's Your Right," and Dr. Debra Busacco, coordinator of the Lifelong Learning Institute, presented "Interpreting Your Audiogram," at the Association of Late-Deafened Adults Convention in Boston, Mass., Sept. 10-13.

James DeStefano, the University's basketball mentor for the past four years, will be head men's basketball coach this season. He replaces Adrian Walters, who was appointed assistant coach at Towson State University.

Dr. Marita Danek, a professor in the Department of Counseling, made a presentation Oct. 5 at the Florida State Vocational Rehabilitation Training Conference on the reauthorization of the Rehabilitation Act. Danek also authored an article, "Careers in Working with Persons with a Hearing Loss," for the fall issue of *American Rehabilitation*.

Classified Ads

Classified ads are printed free for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37, or E-mail LMMCCONNELL. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TDD. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. Ads received Oct. 26-30 will be published Nov. 9.

WANTED: Nonsmoking female musician with cat seeks room in house, references avail. Call (301) 340-6132 (V).

FOR SALE: Baby changing table, elec. breast pump, maternity clothes sizes 7-9.

Call (301) 731-8780 (TDD) or E-mail SLA-TOUNAH.

FOR SALE: Dot matrix printer, \$150. Call (301) 464-3976 (TDD) eves.

WANTED: Weekend babysitting and other jobs in exchange for free room and board. Call x5535 or E-mail IIGSHANBAO.

FOR RENT: Condo, Fairfield Harbour resort, New Bern, N.C., second week of Feb./neg., 1-BR, fully equipped, whirlpool/hot tub, fireplace; horseback riding, golf, skiing, boating, tennis, \$700/neg. Call Thomas Corcoran, x3115 or (301) 794-6740, or E-mail TSCORCORAN.



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